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Attached is a Supplemental Form PTO-1449 listing several documents that were first cited in the Supplementary European Search Report for the corresponding European Application Number EP 04 78 5241.

The Search Report is enclosed along with any cited foreign patent documents and non-patent literature documents in accordance with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2).

It is requested that the Examiner consider these documents and officially make them of record in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and Section 609 of the MPEP. By identifying the listed documents, Applicant in no way makes any admission as to the prior art status of the listed documents, but is instead identifying the listed documents for the sake of full disclosure.

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